

Book of Wills of Martha Ryals late of Dougherty Co. Ga.

Georgia In the Name of God Amen.
Dougherty County I Martha Ryals Widow of the late
Rearben Ryals do make public
and declare this my last Will and Testament
hereby Revoking all other Wills or Codicils
heretofore made by me

Item 1st

I desire all my just debts Paid

Item 2^d

I give and bequeath to my Grand children
Sara M. Brinson & Robert B. Brinson Children of
my son Newton P. Brinson all the property
of any kind whatever which may come to me
from my Father Newton Perkins of Berks County
Georgia for and during their Natural lives
and at their to such children as they may
leave living at their death but if they
should die without leaving such children
then to be equally divided between my children
& their issue the representation of any one
of my children which may be deceased to
take the share of such deceased, and I
hereby appoint my son Newton P. Brinson
the Guardian & Trustee of my said Grand
children as to said property with power to
sell any of said property & invest the
proceeds in other property for said Trust.

3^d

I give all ^{my} share in the Estate of my
deceased husband, Rearben Ryals of what
soever the same may consist (a Division
never having been made) my specific
share not being known, to my five children
Newton P. Brinson, Melvina Adams wife of
Benjamin Adams, Elizabeth H. Cooper wife of
Wm H. Cooper, William P. Ryals & Martha H.
Ryals for and during their Natural lives
share and share alike. The Corpus in no
event to be subject to the liabilities of
my said children or my husbands they have
or may have at the death of any said.

children to such child or children as they may be
living at their death or born within the period
period of gestation thereafter and if any of them
should die without leaving such child or children
then the share of said deceased to revert to be
he equally divided among the surviving brother
& sisters of such deceased

14th

I Nominate & appoint my Son Arthur B. Ryan
Executor of this Will

In Witness whereof I the said Martha Ryan do
this my Will have hereunto set my hand and
seal this January 3rd 1863

(Interim actions made before execution)

Martha Ryan Seal

Signed Sealed published & declared by the above named
Martha Ryan as her last Will & Testament in
presence of us who at her request in presence
of each other have subscribed our names as
Witnesses thereto

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Andrew L. Davis
A. B. Wright
L. P. D. Warren

Georgia
Dougherty County In open Court appeared in
person Ambrose R. Wright &
L. P. D. Warren who being duly
sworn say that they saw Mrs Martha Ryan be
testatrix Sign Seal & declare & publish the will
here presented as her last Will & Testament of her own
accord & that at the time said Testatrix was of
sound & disposing mind & memory, and that
deponents signed said Will as witnesses in the
presence & at her Special request & in the
presence of each other & the other witness
Andrew L. Davis who is now deceased & that
said Davis signed the said will also as a witness in
our presence & the presence of said Testatrix & at
request.

L. P. D. Warren
A. B. Wright

Sworn to in open Court
this 12th March 1866

W. H. Wildes Ordinary

Georgia I Martha Ryals of said County
Dougherty hereby do make this Codicil to my
Last Will.

Item 1st

I give to my son William P. Ryals in addition
to what I have given him in my will the
following articles to wit, One Mirror, one
feather bed four pillows, two large Mattresses,
one white Muslin quilt, three common
quilt, one double Wash Stand, one small
blue Table with drawers in it one Ward Robe
one Brown Bedstead, one wash basin & pitcher,
one large Wash Pot, one dinner pot, one large
oven, small oven & Spider, four oak chairs

Item 2^d

In addition to what I have given her by my
last Will I give to my daughter Martha A. P.
Ryals the following articles to wit; a feather
bed four pillows, six sheets, two white Muslin
quilt, one pair of Blankets two common quilt,
a Wardrobe with drawers in it, a Mirror, a wash
basin and pitcher, a large Wash pot, dinner
Pot, a large oven, two Spiders, a large Cam
bottom Rocking chair, two oak chairs, two
mattresses

Item 3^d

I give to Mr. Melvin Adams wife of
Burdett Adams in addition to what I have
given her by my last Will a Skillet &
quoddy as family Relics

Item 4th

In addition to my bequest in my last Will
to her I give to my daughter Mr. Elizabeth
H. Cooper Wife of Mr. H. Cooper a small sewing
machine, a pair of Waffle Irons & a paint stand

Item 5th

I desire my Glassware Crockery Ware knives
& forks Tea Spoons & Table spoons to be Equally
divided between my son William P. Ryals and
my daughter Martha A. P. Ryals

Item 5th

I give my lot of land to the children
Mrs Elizabeth H. Cooper to be equally divided
Item 7th

In consequence of the state of the country I do
wish my interest in the lands & negroes of the lot
of my late husband Nathan Ryals sold for a sum
in pursuance of my will until my Executors in their
judgment think best. I wish it kept with the
property until a sale is made in the discretion of
my Executors and the net income arising from it
until such sale for division. I wish equally divided
between my children

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & seal. this August 13th 1864

Martha Ryals (Seal)

Seal published & declared by the above
named Martha Ryals as a Codicil to her last will
in the presence of us who at her request in
presence of each other signed our
names as witnesses

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L. P. D. Hannon
Jno H. Hill
J. S. Brown

Georgia

Dougherty County

In open Court appearing L. P. D. Hannon
John H. Hill & J. S. Brown who
being duly sworn depose that they saw
Mrs Martha Ryals the Testatrix sign seal publish
& declare the instrument here presented as her
Codicil freely & of her own accord & that at the
of the Execution of the same she was of sound
disposing mind & memory that deponents signed as
Codicil as witnesses in presence of said Testatrix
at her special instance & request in the presence
of each other

Sworn to in open Court of
Ordinary this 1st day
of March 1866

M. H. Wilder

Ordinary

L. P. D. Hannon
Jno H. Hill
J. S. Brown

Report of Ordinary March Term 1866

It being shown to the Court that in the matter of
Martha Ryals Will & Codicil propounded by
Newton P. Brinson named as Executor that
the heirs at of said Martha to wit: Mrs. E.
H. Cooper. Mrs. M. Adams. W. P. Ryals. M. A. Ryals
& Newton P. Brinson have all been cited & served
with process by acknowledgement of the same
of the intention of said Newton P. Brinson to
proceed with the probate at this Term of
the Court & the said Will & Codicil having been
fully proven to be the last Will & Codicil of said
Mrs. Martha Ryals by the witnesses thereto

Ordered by the Court that said Will & Codicil be
Established as the last Will & Codicil of said
Mrs. Martha Ryals & that the same be admitted
to Record & that the said Executor have leave to
qualify & that upon so doing letting Testimony
issue to him

M. H. Wilder
Ordinary

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Georgia's ~~Ordinary~~ ^{Ordinary} ~~County~~ ^{County} ~~writing~~ ^{writing} ~~contains~~ ^{contains} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~last~~ ^{last}
~~will~~ ^{will} ~~& Codicil~~ ^{& Codicil} ~~of the~~ ^{of the} ~~widow~~ ^{widow}
named Martha Ryals Dead so far as I know
or believe & that I will proof & truly execute
the same by first paying the debts & then the
legacies contained in said Will so far as her
goods & chattels will thereto extend & the laws
charge me and that I will make a true &
perfect inventory of all such goods &
chattels so help me God

Given to & Subscribed
before me this 16th day
of March 1866

M. H. Wilder
Ordinary

N. P. Brinson